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[Despatch Abstract.]

Board - Harpanahalli Taluk Board - conduct of M.R.Ry. I Vasupal - in recording his remarks in the visitors' Book of the Dispensary - Papers recorded

Secrets. II-30—4,439—2-2-22.

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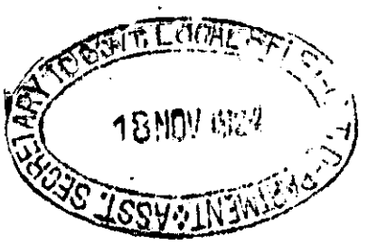

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Dated 1.10. 192 4
Subject.
L.F. Dispensary
Harpanalli.
Remarks from non-official visitors

SUBMITTED that the L. S. G.
Department may be asked to expedite their reply to the un-official reference noted on the margin ~~regarding which reminders have already issued on~~ —

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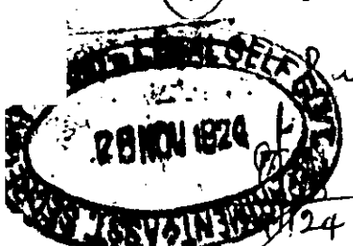

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Copy of letter from the Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, R.No.1599-General of 24, dated the 17th July 1924.

I have the honour to forward herewith a copy of the extract from the Visitors' Book of the Local Fund Dispensary, Harpanahalli, Bellary district on 27th June 1924 for information of Government.

Extract from the Visitor's book of the Local Fund Dispensary, Harpanahalli, Bellary district dated 27th June 1924.

Visited the Dispensary. The remarks in the Visitor"s Book by the Collector are certainly entertaining and show in unmistakable terms the present mentality of the beauracracy. It is adding insult to injury to suggest that the people of this Taluk can afford to collect money to maintain a hospital. The people are suffering from chronic famine. Further they have to pay heavy salaries ~~from chronic famine~~. and look after the comforts of the high officials. Again they have to subscribe heavily towards tamashas like exhibitions which benefit nobody, and spend money for tea-parties and garlands. After spending for all these purposes, they are left nothing to contribute towards medical aid. In fact most of them do not know what it is to have a full meal.

India was once famous for its cleanliness and its scriptures pay greater attention to cleanliness than to anything else. Now if people

have begun to love filth her present rulers and none else are responsible for it. When people are taught to lick the boots of the mabap, they must necessarily learn the habit to loving filth. I hope the local boards concerned which consist of self-respecting people will treat the remarks with the respect they deserve and do their utmost with the slender resources they command to provide better medical and sanitary aid and also to eradicate the desire to taste filth of the mabap's boots which now seem to be an inevitable temptation to some of our big wigs. It is such remarks from responsible officials, that make the position of persons who are sincerely co-operating with the Government very awkward among their countrymen. To compare the remarks of the District Board President with that of the Collector is instructive.

(Sd). I. Vasupal,
27/6/24

Member Taluk Board, Harpanahalli

(True Extract)

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P.H. (Lom) Deptt

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Remarks by M.R.Ry. I. Vasupal in the Visitors' Book - L.F. Dispensary Harpanahalli.

Memorandum No:- 25265-1 Lom 14:X.24

A copy of the remarks made by M.R.Ry I Vasupal, Member of the Harpanahalli Taluk Board, in the Visitors' Book of the Local Fund Dispensary at Harpanahalli is forwarded to the P.D.B. Bellary for early remarks. He is requested to ~~furnish details about the member in question~~ report and (iii) his political attitude ~~and also to report~~ as to information should also be furnished whether he (M.R.Ry. Vasupal) is a member of the hospital Committee and if not, how it was that he visited the dispensary in question and was allowed to record his remarks ~~re~~ in the visitors' book.

Dept 14/X

(i) Whether Mr Vasupal is a nominated or Elected member
(ii) his position in life

D/to CB 15/10/24

The P.D.B. Bellary. (Atom with the extracts from the Visitors' Book)

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C.R. No. 4(Confidential)

Station Bellary, Dated the..29th ..October.. ...1924..

From

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M. R, Ry. ~~Rao~~ Bahadur M. Gopalaswami Mudaliar Avl.

B. A., B. L.,

President District Board, Bellary.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Local Self Government Department,

FORT SAINT GEORGE. MADRAS.

Sir,

With reference to Government Memorandum No. 25265 -1 L.& M., dated 14th October 1924 (confidential) I have the honour to state as follows.

(i) The gentleman is an elected member of the Harpanahalli Taluk Board.

(ii) He is a land holder and lives upon the income from his lands. He is a graduate of the Madras University and was the Vice-President of the Taluk Board prior to 1-4-22.

(iii) His political attitude from what I have heard from him and his associates is towards non-co-operation with the established Government. He and his friends are swearing by Khadder and go about preaching congress politics He has been found by me whenever I visited the place not only not co-operating with me but also assuming a defiant attitude.. He can be termed a revolutionary at heart.

2. He is not a member of any committee of the Harpanahalli Taluk Board. In fact, there are no standing committees formed by that Board under Section 28 of the Local

Boards Act. He could visit the dispensary under the general direction in para 637 of the Civil Medical Code that "members of local boards should frequently visit these institutions." The visitor's book is intended for the class of officers etc., mentioned in para 636 Civil Medical Code who could enter their remarks about the general condition and popularity of the institution and the complaints that may come to their notice.

3. It is not clear whether a member can, in the first place, record his observations in the visitor's book, and in the next place whether he is justified in going beyond observations confined to the institution. If there was anything extra it was open to him to address the Collector on the subject. He is not entitled to note such ultra remarks in the visitor's book. Section 26 of the Local Boards Act,1920 affords sufficient chance to Local Board members to call the attention of the President to any irregularities connected with the management of any work of the board. Instead of following the procedure laid down, he goes off at a tangent about remarks made by others-serving thereby no useful purpose in connection with the management of the institution in question.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

30/10/24

President.

V.V.R.30/10.

Extract notes from S.O. No. 2423 dated 3.9.24
re. Conduct of Mr. Palani Swami Pillai, Surveyor

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We have no power to interfere in a matter of improper conduct of a councillor. After issue put up with proposals for amendment of Act.

P.L.L.
29/8/24

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Public Department

C.No.6226 Public, from the S.G., R.No.1599-General, dated 17th July 1924.

D.S.

The Surgeon-General has not sent an extract of the Collector's remarks and of the District Board's President's. The matter however is one for the L.S.G Department. For orders whether the letter may be transferred to that department.

T.W.R
22/7/24

This is a copy of a communication sent to L.S.G. Mr. Moore is looking to see if anything can be done.

E.M.G
24/7/24

This is rather interesting.

For perusal.

N.E.M
28/7/24

(1) C-4.

R.A.G
29/7/24

(2) C-3

Seen. Who is this gentleman ? Is he a representative of the depressed classes ?

C.P.R
1/8/24

(3) C-2

A.R.K
3/8/24

(4) C-1

H.H.
15/8/24

(5) H.E.

G.
7/8/1924.

D.S

Submitted that Mr. I. Vasupalappa is shown

shown as a non-Brahmin Landlord in the Madras Year Book, 1924.

T.W.R M
21/8/24

There is no other information in this Department. Perhaps L.S.G know more.] M

E.M.G
25/8/24

L.S.G. u.o.

L.S.G (P.H.) Deptt.

D.S.
Secy

The tone of the remarks and their taste are execrable.

V.P.R
19/7/24

P.L.M
21/7/24

A.S.2.

Please put up with the notes regarding amendment of the Acts on the question of powers of removal of Presidents or members.] P

P.L.M
22/7/24

L.S.G. (L.S.M) Deptt

No further details about Mr. Vasupal are available in this Deptt. A draft memo ~~asking~~ asking the P.D.B. Bellary to furnish more details about this gentleman is submitted for approval.

2. With reference to the remarks of the Secretary at P above it is submitted that the question of revising the provisions of

of the M. L. B. Act, 1920 and M. D. M. Act, 1920. 10
so as that the Presidents + Chairmen, both elected and nominated, may be removed from office on grounds other than failure to carry out the resolution of the local body concerned has already been considered and it is proposed to consult the Advisory Committee in the matter.

(IX) vide note for Advisory Committee

3. As regards the question of amending the L.B. Acts so as to take power to remove a member of a local board from office for misconduct &c, it is submitted that the question of making such alteration in the M. D. M. Act, 1920 was considered and dropped - [vide ¶161 of the printed note at (III) + Mr. Campbell's note on page 4 of G.O. No 367 Local 8.2.1923.]

(G) It was considered that the re introduction of the provision in the old Acts would be opposed in the Legislative Council and that it would be characterised as an unnecessary encroachments on the rights of the public and consequently retrograde. The above remarks are applicable with equal force to the M. L. B. Act also. In the above circumstances it seems doubtful if any alteration should be made in the existing provisions in the M. L. B. Act, so as to make a member of a local board removable for misconduct &c.

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The memo may issue.

2. It is becoming more and more patent that Govt should have the power to remove individual members of local boards or Municipal Councils for improper or contemptible attitude. Several cases have recently come to the notice of Govt but under the law nothing can be done. The difficulty however is to take the power in such a form as will be effective while at the same time it will not be objectionable to the Legislative Council

3. The same grounds on which a President or a Chairman may be removed may be made applicable to members - vide the note at Slip (iii) The necessary amendment may be made to the note for the Advisory Committee

25/10/24

I think it best to do nothing as regards removal of members. The question of the President or Chairman is quite different

Sdy

Yes, as regards Q. 9. I think so

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R.F. XXII-M—16 (5).

A.S.1
14.10.24

Madura Collector's Office,
11th October 1924. 191 .

My dear Moore,

Act--Madras District Municipalities--amendment of.
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The Act is still I believe in process of being amended. Would I be too much of reactionary if I suggested that a section corresponding to section 19 (i) (4) of Act IV of 1884 be introduced into the present District Municipalities Act? It is not my idea that Government should make free use of such a provision. My contention is that the mere existence of such a provision in the District Municipalities Act is the best safeguard against the creation of such sets of conditions as would justify Government in taking action under such a section. I feel quite sure that the introduction of such a section into the present Act would improve the tone of Municipalities.

2. The tone of Taluk Boards and Union Boards could be

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be similarly improved.-more particularly Union Boards.

Yours sincerely,

P.I. Moore Esq., C.I.E., I.C.S.,
Secretary to Government,
Local Self-Government Department,
M a d r a s.

p3 ✓ ASI The reference to the P.O.B. Bellary has issued.

2 In view of the decision arrived at by the Hon'ble the Ministers on page 5 supra it seems unnecessary to take power to remove an undesirable Councillor. As for the removal of the Chairman it is submitted that the Advisory Committee has recommended that the Chairman should be made removable by the Govt. if the Council decides to that effect by a majority of three fourths of the strength of the Council at a meeting called specially for the purpose. No action is therefore called for on the D.O. from Mr. Hall on pages 667 supra.

3. The reply from the P.O.B to the p3 ✓ reference made may be awaited

15.X.24

Memo No 25265/30667 - I Dom dy 14.X.24

ASI / DS / Thro' D1 seen

C no 30667 Dom from the P.O.B. Bellary, dt 4/29.X.24

para 1 on 4 ✓ The P.O.B. Bellary reports that Mr. Vasupal, now an elected member of the Harpanahalli Taluk Bd is a graduate of the University of Madras and land-holder and that he was the Vice-President of the Taluk Board prior to 1.4.922. He also adds that he (Mr. Vasupal) is a non-co-operator of revolutionary type and that he is not a member of the Standing Committee, as no such

no such Committees have yet been formed /
under sec 28 of the M & B. Act, 1920.

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The papers may be recorded after perusal by M & C3 Thro Supdt D1 with reference to paras 2 & 3 of the DIG's letter

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